

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

Group Art Unit:

JEAN-MARC BERAUD

Examiner:

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For: INTRODUCER AND PERFORATOR GUIDE FOR PLACING A TAPE IN THE HUMAN BODY

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT AND INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Honorable Commissioner for Patents PO Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Before calculation of the filing fee, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

A new Abstract is found on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks are found on page 6 of this paper.

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